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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECTS: WATER RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

1. MEPD RECEIVED SEVERAL INQUIRIES FROM U.S. FIRMS
REGARDING ARTICLE ON WATER RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT IN RECENT
ISSUE OF BUSINESS VENEZUELA MAGAZINE. (SEPT/OCT-1975)

2. ACCORDING TO ARTICLE, MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS IS
CURRENTLY DEVELOPING THE FOLLOWING.,

---- SOUTH LAKE MARACAIBO - LAND RECLAMATION PROJECT OF
---- 600,000 HECTARES.

---- GUANARE-MASPARRI - FOUR DAMS.

---- BOCONO-TUCUPIDO - DAMS AND ROADS BEING BUILT TO BE
---- FOLLOWED LATER BY IRRIGATION FOR 400,000 HECTARES.

---- APURE MODULES - IRRIGATION SYSTEM IN SOUTH-WESTERN
---- VENEZUELA.

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---- TUREN - IRRIGATION OF 200,000 HECTARES.

---- UNARE-NEVERI - CONSTRUCTION OF FOUR DAMS.

3. ARTICLE ALSO DESCRIBED FOLLOWING WATER TRANSFER
PROJECTS FOR INDUSTRIAL USE:

---- 150 MILLION CUBIC METERS YEARLY FROM THE LIMON
---- RIVER FOR EL TABLAZO PETROCHEMICAL DEVELOPMENT,
---- RISING TO 450 MILLION CUBIC METERS BY THE YEAR
---- 2000.

---- 110 MILLION CUBIC METERS FROM ALTO TOCUYITO FOR
---- BARQUISIMETO REGION NOW, AND 200 MILLION IN 2000.

---- WATER FROM THE YARACUI RIVER FOR MORON AND PUERTO
---- CABELLO AREAS, AND SOME 220 MILLION CUBIC METERS
---- PER YEAR FROM THE GUARICO RIVER FOR CARACAS.

---- BY THE YEAR 2000, THIRTY-THREE OF THE FIFTY MAIN
---- CITIES WILL REQUIRE FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEMS.

4. ARTICLE STATES VENEZUELAN URBAN WATER SYSTEM'S
CRITICAL AREAS INCLUDE:

---- LAKE MARACAIBO REGION WHICH WILL HAVE DEFICIT
---- CAUSED BY INDUSTRIAL EXPANSION.

---- PARAGUANA PENINSULA BECAUSE OF POPULATION GROWTH.

---- CENTRAL AND WESTERN PLAINS, ALSO BECAUSE OF
---- POPULATION GROWTH.

---- CARACAS AQUADUCT WHICH WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE
---- PROVIDED ADEQUATE WATER RESOURCES UNTIL THE YEAR
---- 2000 AND ALREADY INSUFFICIENT FOR CURRENT NEEDS.
---- EVIDENT SOLUTION IS LARGE WATER TREATMENT PLANTS TO
---- UTILIZE THE HEAVILY POLLUTED GUAIRE RIVER.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY DEVELOP
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON STATUS THESE PROJECTS, PAR-
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AND BY WHOM, CONTRACTS AWARDED, ETC. SISCO

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